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Page 85, after line 24, insert the following:

1	SEC. 316. ALTERNATIVE ENERGY USE OF THE DEPART-
2	MENT OF DEFENSE.
3	(a) Cost Competitiveness Requirement.—
4	(1) In general.—Notwithstanding any other
5	provision of law, the Secretary of Defense shall not
6	purchase alternative energy unless such energy is
7	equivalent to conventional energy in terms of cost
8	and capabilities.
9	(2) Cost calculation.—The cost of each en-
10	ergy source described in paragraph (1) shall be cal-
11	culated on a pre-tax basis in terms of life-cycle cost.
12	Such calculation shall take into account—
13	(A) all associated Federal grants, subsidies
14	and tax incentives applied from the point of
15	production to consumption;
16	(B) fixed and variable operations and
17	maintenance costs; and
18	(C) in the case of fuel, fully burdened
19	costs, including all associated transportation

I	and security from the point of purchase to de-
2	livery to the end user.
3	(3) Research exemption.—Nothing in this
4	Act is intended to prohibit alternative energy re-
5	search by the Department.
6	(b) Prohibition on Renewable Energy Man-
7	DATES.—None of the funds authorized to be appropriated
8	by this Act or otherwise made available for fiscal year
9	2018 for the Department of Defense shall be used to carry
10	out any provision of law that requires the Department of
11	Defense to consume renewable energy, unless such energy
12	meets the requirements of subsection (a).

